

09/937450

JC16 Rec'd PCT/PTO SEP 25 2001

PATENT

Atty. Docket No. 31574-00006

3A  
1/23/02  
mg

"Express Mail" Receipt No. EL638022965US

Date of Deposit: September 25, 2001

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box PCT, Washington, DC 20231.

*Jennifer D. Ahearn*  
Jennifer Ahearn

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NICHOLAS ALEXANDER RUTTER, ET AL.

Serial No.: To Be Assigned

Filed: Herewith

For: SMOKE DETECTOR HOUSING

Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned

Examiner: To Be Assigned

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Box PCT  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.